

Park City School District
April 12, 2016
Work Session 9:00 AM

Members present

Tania Knauer, Nancy Garrison, Philip Kaplan, JJ Ehlers and Julie Eihausen

Staff Present:

Ember Conley, Todd Hauber, and Lorie Pearce

Call to Order

Board President Knauer called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Member Eihausen led the pledge of allegiance.

Discussion

Proposed Process and Timeline for Facilities to Implement Grade Realignment

Superintendent Conley asked Todd Hansen to review the needs of TMJH and timeline. Todd mentioned that the sewer situation has been taken care of; there are two things that need to be done. One is the fire alarm system and the other is to replace the fire sprinkler heads for a total cost of \$155,000. As far as lead contamination, the school is safe. The area that will need to be cleaned up is the fan room where the fresh air comes and the dust collects. The cost of this clean up is \$54,000. Air sample tests have been completed and there is no lead inside of the building, but the recommendation is that we clean the carpets more often. We have been putting off maintenance in this building for quite awhile because we have felt that the building would be demolished.

Superintendent Conley stated that the district will begin conducting some community tours of TMJH so that the public is aware of the condition of the building. We need to show parents what the students are dealing with on a daily basis. TMJH is the first domino and once we start working on this school, then we can move forward with the other needs. TMJH is getting towards the end of its life, and ninth graders need to be back in the high school. In working with the administrative team, we need to pull the design team back together for the high school to move forward. The timeline for this would be getting the team back together as soon as possible and getting an architect on board. Working this spring to come up with four options by November for consideration and then back to the Board for a decision in March. This would mean that it would be approximately 2.5 years before the expansion would be complete.

Member Ehlers asked what the financial options would be for this. Todd Hauber said things to consider are hiring the architect, and engineers, which will happen within this fiscal year, so we will need to account for those within the budget. Depending on the scope of the project will determine next steps.

Member Kaplan is concerned that there is not a community consensus around where the 6th grade is going to end up, so he is suggesting that we engage community members gathering opinions, and perhaps something more comprehensive as to what the parents want. We need to gain community support in order to get funding.

Member Eihausen is concerned that this Board has voted to make these changes, and we will not see any of these come to fruition until 18-19 and possibly 19-20. She is frustrated because it is not best for students to wait for another four years until they are back in the high school.

Superintendent Conley is open to suggestions from the Board. Member Knauer is suggesting that we start looking at a timeline so that they can determine where to start. Member Ehlers would like to make sure that we do this right and having a plan and knowing that we are going forward with community support is better for kids. Member Garrison asked how the Board feels about having to keep putting money into TMJH for the next four years? It is a bit of a chicken and egg, to say that we have a sound facility for an interim basis. There are risks associated with the existing building.

Superintendent Conley's said that what has come to light is that her impatience is not her best quality and sometimes our best plans have to be changed. She would like to request that the Board give the administration some soft deadlines to get some of the necessary things done.

Member Eihausen clarified that the district will potentially be spending millions of dollars on keeping TMJH running, and spending more money for the DLI program especially since those students are now moving into the secondary schools. Member Knauer suggested that perhaps it is time the Board had a discussion regarding the DLI program and the fact that we are offering two languages which is unheard of for a district our size.

Todd Hauber and Todd Hansen were asked to review the capital outlay project list and remove any items from the high school or Treasure Mountain that could be put off. The Board reviewed the revised list and they will make a final approval at the April 26 meeting.

2016-2017 School Community Council Plans

Principal's reviewed their School Community Council Plans and discussed any necessary changes that will need to be made prior to the Board approving them by the May 15 deadline.

2016-2017 Fee Schedule

Todd Hauber presented the proposed fee schedule for 2016-2017. There are no proposed changes in the fees, but we have been a bit more inclusive in trying to capture all of the fees such as GRAMA Requests, Open Enrollment, Student Records, etc. There was some discussion regarding pre-school fees and a deposit for electronic equipment.

Out of State Travel Requests

The Board reviewed the out of state travel requests from Swim Coach, Mike Werner and Debate Coach Sharon Ellsworth-Nielson. These requests will be placed on the next regular session agenda for approval.

Closed Session

Member Ehlers made a motion to adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing personnel and negotiation items. Member Eihausen seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Passed unanimously.

Adjourn

Member Ehlers made a motion to adjourn to a Work Session on Tuesday, April 19 at 9:00 a.m. Member Eihausen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm

Tania Knauer, President

JJ Ehlers, Member

Philip Kaplan, Member

Nancy Garrison, Member

Julie Eihausen, Member

Todd Hauber, Business Administrator